Claims

- [c1] 1. A method of implementing an atomic transaction using a program logic, said method comprising: requesting in said program logic a transaction identifier for said atomic transaction; generating said transaction identifier in a transaction manager in response to said requesting; specifying in said program logic a plurality of combinations for execution in a sequential order, wherein each of said plurality of combinations contains said transaction identifier, a task procedure, and a roll-back procedure, wherein said task procedure implements a part of said atomic transaction and said roll-back procedure is designed to roll-back said task procedure; executing said task procedures in said sequential order; keeping track of said roll-back procedures in said transaction manager; and executing said roll-back procedures in a reverse order of said sequential order if said atomic transaction is to be aborted, wherein said roll-back procedures are identified according to said keeping.
- [c2] 2. The method of claim 1, wherein said transaction iden-

tifier is unique to each of the atomic transactions.

- [c3] 3. The method of claim 1, wherein said keeping comprises storing data representing said roll-back procedures in a stack.
- [04] 4. The method of claim 3, wherein said stack is stored in a memory.
- [05] 5. The method of claim 1, further comprising examining a status returned by execution of one of said task procedures and performing said aborting if said status indicates an error.
- [c6] 6. The method of claim 1, wherein said aborting is performed asynchronously.
- [c7] 7. A computer readable medium carrying one or more sequences of instructions representing a program logic for execution on a system, said program logic implementing an atomic transaction, wherein execution of said one or more sequences of instructions by one or more processors contained in said system causes said one or more processors to perform the actions of: requesting an identifier for said atomic transaction; setting a variable to equal said identifier; specifying a plurality of combinations for execution, wherein each of said plurality of combinations contains

said transaction identifier, a task procedure, and a roll-back procedure, wherein said task procedure implements a part of said atomic transaction and said roll-back procedure is designed to roll-back said task procedure; and aborting said atomic transaction by specifying said identifier associated with an abort procedure to cause said roll-back procedures to be executed.

- [c8] 8. The computer readable medium of claim 7, wherein said specifying comprises including each of said plurality of combinations in a single procedure call.
- [c9] 9. The computer readable medium of claim 7, further comprising examining a status returned by execution of one of said task procedures and performing said aborting if said status indicates an error.
- [c10] 10. A computer readable medium carrying one or more sequences of instructions for supporting implementation of an atomic transaction in a system, wherein execution of said one or more sequences of instructions by one or more processors contained in said system causes said one or more processors to perform the actions of: generating an identifier for said atomic transaction; receiving a plurality of combinations for execution, wherein each of said plurality of combinations contains said transaction identifier, a task procedure, and a roll-

back procedure, wherein said task procedure implements a part of said atomic transaction and said roll-back procedure is designed to roll-back said task procedure; executing said task procedures; and executing said roll-back procedures in response to receiving an abort request.

- [c11] 11. The computer readable medium of claim 10, wherein said task procedures are executed in an execution order and corresponding roll-back procedures are executed in a reverse order of said execution order.
- [c12] 12. The computer readable medium of claim 11, further comprising storing data indicating that said roll-back procedures are to be executed in said reverse order to abort said atomic transaction.
- [c13] 13. The computer readable medium of claim 12, wherein said identifier is generated to be unique for each atomic transaction.
- [c14] 14. The computer readable medium of claim 12, wherein said data is represented in the form of a stack.
- [c15] 15. The computer readable medium of claim 14, wherein said stack is stored in a memory.
- [c16] 16. A computer system comprising:

a memory storing a plurality of instructions; and a processing unit coupled to said memory and executing said plurality of instructions to support implementation of an atomic transaction in a programming environment, said processing unit being operable to:

request in a program logic a transaction identifier for said atomic transaction;

generate said transaction identifier in a transaction manager in response to said requesting;

specify in said program logic a plurality of combinations for execution in a sequential order, wherein each of said plurality of combinations contains said transaction identifier, a task procedure, and a roll-back procedure, wherein said task procedure implements a part of said atomic transaction and said roll-back procedure is designed to roll-back said task procedure;

execute said task procedures in said sequential order; keep track of said roll-back procedures in said transaction manager; and

execute said roll-back procedures in a reverse order of said sequential order if said atomic transaction is to be aborted, wherein said roll-back procedures are identified according to said keeping.

[c17] 17. The computer system of claim 16, wherein said transaction identifier is unique to each of the atomic

transactions.

- [c18] 18. The computer system of claim 16, wherein said processing unit is operable to store data representing said roll-back procedures in a stack to perform said keep.
- [c19] 19. The computer system of claim 18, wherein said stack is stored in a memory.
- [c20] 20. The computer system of claim 16, wherein said processing unit is further operable to examine a status returned by execution of one of said task procedures and to perform said aborting if said status indicates an error.
- [c21] 21. The computer system of claim 16, wherein said processing unit is operable to execute said roll-back procedures asynchronously.